IntoSAINT Post

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IntoSAINT is a self-assessment instrument for SAIs that they can use to analyse their integrity risks and assess the maturity level of their integrity management systems.

An IntoSAINT moderator can facilitate an integrity self-assessment for a Supreme Audit Institution. The self-assessment takes place in a structured two-day workshop. The instrument is targeted at corruption prevention and leads to management recommendations to support the integrity of the organisation. The self-assessment results in a report that enables the Supreme Audit Institution to design a tailor made integrity policy and at the same time increase the integrity awareness of employees.

IntoSAINT was developed by the Netherlands Court of Audit. We support the use of the instrument internationally. Are you interested? For additional information about IntoSAINT, or if your SAI would be interested in a moderator training or an IntoSAINT workshop, please contact i.dehaan@rekenkamer.nl or m.wilbrink@rekenkamer.nl or m.janson@rekenkamer.nl

Successful IntoSaint moderator training

The IntoSAINT moderator training hosted by the Netherlands Court of Audit (NCA) from 19 to 23 September 2011 was a great success. The NCA welcomed 46 participants from 24 countries, covering almost all INTOSAI regions. Discussions were lively and the participants worked hard to get the most out of this unique international meeting of practitioners. Not only did all participants finish the training successfully, they also offered valuable suggestions for improving the training course and for the design of the roll-out strategy to disseminate and encourage the use of IntoSAINT in their individual countries and regions.

IntoSAINT news and website

The moderators suggested to share knowledge and information. The NCA will share news via e-mail and the NCA website. The 'IntoSAINT Post' provides information on the roll-out for everyone involved and everyone interested. We need the regions to share information and keep everybody up-to-date! Send us your newsworthy items and we will share it with the IntoSAINT community.
On the NCA website general information on IntoSAINT is available (www.courtofaudit.nl/intosaint).
The NCA is also working on a moderator-website via the NCA website. This will be available around May. On this page we will share training materials, experiences of moderators in the regions, the list of trained moderators, an overview of (planned) assessments etc.

External funding

The NCA has submitted an application for support funding for the roll-out of IntoSAINT to the Multi-donor Trust Fund/INTOSAI programme, being coordinated by IDI Financial support. This would enable SAIs from developing countries to participate fully in the roll-out of IntoSAINT within their region. The application is now under consideration of the donors. More news will be available around the first week of June.
Some SAIs already have access to donor funding for their institutional development and/or capacity building projects. Organising IntoSAINT workshops could perhaps be part of such programmes. Integrating IntoSAINT into (externally funded) peer review arrangement also deserves serious consideration.

News from the regions

SAIs that took part in the 2011 moderator training in The Hague will arrange an IntoSAINT self-assessment that will be performed in their SAI. This self-assessment will be moderated by two candidates from their region, who have already participated in the 2011 moderator training. The roll-out plans for 2012 and 2013 include regional moderator trainings for SAIs that have not yet been involved.

Feedback and sharing of experiences will be facilitated through the IntoSAINT moderator-website and a Lessons Learned meeting in 2013. Final reporting on the project will take place at XXI INCOSAI in 2013.

EUROSAI

In the EUROSAI region Austria, Norway, Russia, Georgia, Macedonia, Turkey and the European Court of Auditors (ECA) participated in the moderator training in The Hague.

In January 2012 Norway kicked off and moderated a self-assessment in Macedonia. In November 2012 Norway will have its first IntoSAINT self-assessment moderated by the ECA. Norway has translated some of the material into Norwegian.

In the beginning of 2013 the ECA will have a self-assessment moderated by Norway. The ECA has translated the methodology in French.

Russia would like to conduct a pilot self-assessment in its own SAI under the guidance of the Netherlands. They want to roll out the IntoSAINT methodology in Russian speaking countries and to unroll the approach in the Russian public sector. Austria indicated that they are willing to do the IntoSAINT self-assessment after the INCOSAI in 2013.

OLACEF

Mexico, Chile and Aruba are the countries in the Olacefs region who participated in the IntoSAINT moderator training in The Hague.

Mexico translated the IntoSAINT methodology into Spanish and arrangements have plans for a workshop in late June. Based on these experiences, Mexico would like to disseminate the methodology through regional meetings in October and November 2012.

Aruba wants to contribute to the roll-out in the Caribbean region and they also would like to introduce the methodology in the public sector. Aruba is planning to have their first self-assessment before the end of 2012. Chili is thinking of having their first self-assessment in August 2012.

AFROSAI

From this region, representatives of AFROSAI-E, Botswana, South Africa, Rwanda, Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Ghana participated.

Representatives from the AFROSAI-E secretariat participated in the training. An IntoSAINT presentation was part of the Technical Update meeting in South Africa in November 2011. AFROSAI-E has included IntoSAINT in its 2012 Working Program. The AFROSAI-E secretariat has also translated the methodology into Portuguese and it is available for Portuguese-speaking countries.

In July 2012 Rwanda is planning to conduct the IntoSAINT self-assessment in its SAI. The AFROSAI-E secretariat will be moderating the workshop.

In June or July 2012 the first self-assessment will take place in Zimbabwe.

ARABOSAI

Representatives from Tunisia, Kuwait and Yemen participated in the training and have expressed their willingness to champion this approach in their region.

Tunisia had scheduled the first self-assessment in April 2012, moderated by Kuwait and the Netherlands.

Kuwait translated the IntoSAINT methodology into Arabic and is planning had an internal workshop in March 2012.

Yemen was also planning to have an internal self-assessment in March this year. Iraq could not participate in the 2011 training in The Hague but would like to participate in the future roll-out of IntoSAINT.

ASOSAI

From the ASOSAI region representatives from Korea, Vietnam and Indonesia participated in the training in The Hague. In October 2011 Korea organized an ASOSAI seminar on the integrity of SAIs, where a mini-workshop on IntoSAINT was one of the seminar events. Korea is willing to moderate a self-assessment in the region.

The NCA has received a letter from Pakistan with a request to participate in the next moderator training.

Indonesia has translated IntoSAINT into Bahasa and is now working to align the IntoSAINT approach with their own fraud and control system. Indonesia, Vietnam and Korea are making plans to assist each other with their self-assessments in 2012.

Agenda 2012
- January IntoSAINT Macedonia moderated by Norway
- March IntoSAINT Kuwait
- March IntoSAINT Yemen
- April IntoSAINT Tunisia moderated by Kuwait and The Netherlands
- June IntoSAINT Mexico (tentatively)
- June/July IntoSAINT Zimbabwe moderated by Botswana and South Africa
- July IntoSAINT Rwanda moderated by the AFROSAI-E secretariat
- November IntoSAINT Norway moderated by the ECA
- Q4 IntoSAINT Chili (tentatively)
- Q4 IntoSAINT Aruba (tentatively)

Agenda 2013
- Q1 IntoSAINT ECA moderated by Norway/Macedonia/Georgia